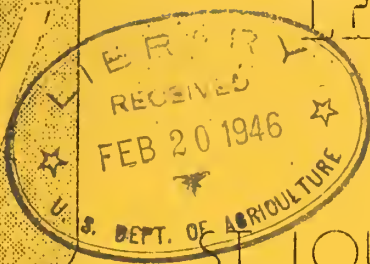


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REAAA PLANS

LEAP YEAR PARTY

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ST. LOUIS USDA CLUB
HEARS NOTED ECONOMIST

DR. EZEKIEL SPEAKS ON POST-WAR ADJUSTMENT

Dr. Mordecai Ezekiel, Economic Advisor to the Secretary of Agriculture, spoke last Saturday to the St. Louis USDA club on the "Problems of Post-War Adjustment--The Effects on Agriculture and Rural Living."

He presented many interesting facts such as the food production which for World War II is three times that of World War I and for the past seven years the farm yield has surpassed each previous year. Farmers have averaged 10 hours per week more than industry in actual weekly production with a farm income today of approximately \$2000 a year as compared with \$400 to \$600 in the past.

Dr. Ezekiel said it was no longer a question as to who will win the war--the problem of the future is what kind of a world will arise from the ashes and how to shift our economy from wartime to peace economy. During wartime not only our farm production, but all other production has gone up unbelievably and he pointed out we should maintain the same high level of production as that demonstrated in this period.---We should all prepare to live twice as well.

Ah, Ah, sweet hearts and flowers, valentines and leap year---with that combination most anything can be expected at the REA Athletic Association Leap Year party which has been scheduled for Friday, February 18.

Under low lights and Jimmy Downey's soft music the single girlies can do their leap year wooing, and the married men had better be careful too, for under the spell of the evening---goodness knows they're liable to promise their wives a new Easter suit.

As the price is only \$1.50 either stag or drag, all you gals had better bring a man. The dance will be held at the Elka Club Hall on Lindell Boulevard near Grand Avenue.

Glen Bray has been named general chairman of the affair and Thelma Wilson is in charge of the tickets.

There are two more paydays before the gala event so how's about doing some post-payday planning and have that \$1.50 in "cash on hand."

NOTE OF APPRECIATION RECEIVED

A note of acknowledgement has been received from Mr. and Mrs. William C. Neal in grateful appreciation for the flowers which were sent by the REAAA in behalf of the staff.

DID YOU BUY AN EXTRA WAR BOND????

BOWLING STANDINGS AS OF JANUARY 15, 1944

WEDNESDAY LEAGUE

Team	Won	Lost	Percent	Average	High Game	High Set
Managettes	16	5	.762	649	831	2378
Five Aces	14	7	.667	651	783	2256
Loan Sharks	13	8	.619	731	848	2433
Designers	12	9	.571	666	739	2118
Managers	10	11	.476	644	722	2061
Operettes	8	13	.381	605	729	2060
Bookies	8	13	.381	576	822	2332
Crickettes	3	18	.143	514	662	1849

THURSDAY LEAGUE

Legallettes	14	7	.667	625	798	2370
Figurettes	12	6	.667	619	850	2276
Billettes	14	7	.667	610	821	2293
Solicitors	13	8	.619	755	899	2470
Raters	12	9	.571	705	779	2185
Lucky Strikes	7	14	.333	542	780	2216

DIDJAKNOWTHAT

YOU CAN'T WIN....Just when everyone thought of relaxation from holiday merry-go-round, along comes Henry with his I.Q. to try the souls of men. However, we've been promised assistance by Esquires Kuhlman and Neely who know all the answers (right or wrong) and will be on deck Monday and Tuesday, from 2:30 p.m. and on and on and on, ad infinitum, to help you become un-muddled. 'Tis rumored they can explain both the "short" and "long" and we hope they mean tax blanks - though one can't be too sure in this changeable weather. For all those who get it right the first time H. Lamberton is giving a party in the telephone booth on the 4th floor; while the Counselors stand on their heads for the assembled prize winner - or winners. Orchids, gardenias and hats off to V. Schmidt, COD, for her 10th contribution to the R.C. Blood Bank. That is a record and probably high for REA. The Passing Parade: Fleming Bardsley on her way east to be with David, awaiting embarkation orders; M. Huddiburn in charge of the Emergency Room and wishing all Personnelers would jump from the 6th floor instead of calling to threaten it; A. Joseph, USA, calling on his former pals in Legal; Rachel Maddox goin' 'round and 'round with her "Walking Papers" - those mysterious things called WORK ORDERS; Corp. Liquin, brother of Fred whose name we just learned to spell, dropping in for a look-see; B. Lambert back in the fold of Info after being on the not-so-well list much too long; E. Cox street-car riding every night to J.B. until they shipped Bob to destination unknown; Charleen Reed gloating over an Xmas present just received but posted from Scott Field in early Dec. Mr. Walker's Department seems to be behind in its work - they probably all took time off to read Esquire, Tsk! Tsk! Tom Murray former Legal Light, now answering to Lt. but they forgot to tell us which one - makes a dif, you know, and Bill Dean, Fin. now an M.P. J. Marion is losing two more of his femmes - Helen Hunter to take a position near Tulsa- the old homestead - and Helen Ryan because of ill health. We wish her speedy recovery but she oughtaknown better than to go to Fin., and Robbie's harem will be disrupted by Anna Huddiburn 'cause she is also going nearer home - Wichita - we hope that's right, while Mary Schleg, another Management gal, is leaving to join the U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps. D&C'er Cook 's the proud possessor of a TON OF COAL...Pres. Winsett, please note - that's what you get for having an "erl burner" and no PRESTIGE with the OPA. Willie Armstrong wasn't mislaid but had a wonderful trip to J.B. Reported at reveille in PJs, not knowing 't isn't done in the best of

Army circles, and then was awarded KP duty instead of a nice comfy bed in the hospital....Dishes, dishes, dishes and not a minute to eat. He solved the bed problem and pronto - inveigled the Sergeant to instruct him in the art of making up an army cot and then crawled in and out during his sojourn without disturbing the nice tucked-in bedding. Seems like a good time was had by all and Willie is going to stay with us. The D&Cers who were attached to the Signal Corps are grinning like "Cheshire" cats. Had begun to think their mazuma had been assigned to a dead carrier pidgeon until G. Gilmore blarneyed the Powers-that-be into a generous mind and the boys are all now ready for any little game of chance that can be promoted. J. Farmer has been generously offering to fix any non-working radios. Evidently wanted a bit of practice on the other fellow's. After burning out all his own tubes, he sent a frantic SOS to Eardley who found the Farmer menage flooded with what the St. L. papers term a "moderate smoke pall" from a transformer gone with the wind...but not far enough. J. Leary, D&C, so proud of what the stork brought him, is now on annual leave to run a washing machine can't be he ever heard Arthur Godfrey's lovely plugs for Di-Dee-Wash?

Our sincere sympathy to Miss Dess, one of REA's most loyal employes, upon the loss of her mother.

I M P O R T A N T ! !

Someone in REA sent a package to Lt. Bernard G. Shebest, formerly of Mr. Gilmore's office. Package has never been delivered and Post Office is trying to find sender in order to reimburse him as package was insured. If person is still with REA please get in touch with Mr. Buchanan, Room 240, IMMEDIATELY.

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THURSDAY LEAGUE (continued)

Team	Won	Lost	Percent	Average	High Game	High Set
Administrators	6	15	.286	665	770	2199
Vacancy	0	0	.000	000	000	0000

FRIDAY LEAGUE

Boatmen's Best	14	7	.667	670	780	2196
Anastorettes	13	8	.619	511	751	2192
Auditors	12	9	.571	685	800	2214
Engineers	11	10	.524	617	690	1956
Adminettes	10	11	.476	576	671	1940
Cooperettes	10	11	.476	556	814	2157
Constructors	7	14	.333	589	701	1988
Ruralettes	7	14	.333	534	703	2006

MEN

High Average	Bullock, 166
High Game	Bigelow, 222
High Set	Kornel, 552

WOMEN

High Average	Kallemeier, 152
High Game	Reno, 246
High Set	Reno, 533